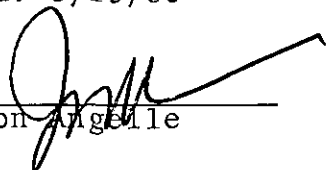


LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

Approved: 8/19/86



J. Burton Angelle

BOARD MEETING

Friday, August 15, 1986

JACK CAPPEL
CHAIRMAN

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

August 15, 1986

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

August 15, 1986

Chairman Jack Cappel presiding:

Mr. George Gray
Dr. Don Hines
Mr. Joe Palmisano
Mr. Mark Roberts

Mr. J. Burton Angelle was also present.

The minutes of the meeting of July 11, 1986 were approved with a motion from Mr. Gray, and seconded by Mr. Roberts.

The Survey Report was given at Thursday's meeting by Al Anderson for the period of June 30-August 1, 1986. During this period 165 surveys were scheduled, 40 surveys were unable to be done due to bad weather or fishermen unable to meet survey. Lease rental collected was \$2,106.30, survey fees collected were \$5,573.50, 43 applications were filed and 36 new leases were issued.

Ray Montet gave the Enforcement Report for the month of June at Thursday's meeting.

Ron Dugas presented a Notice of Intent pertaining to rules for bidding on canceled oyster leases.

(The full text of the Notice of
Intent is made a part of the record)

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission advertises its intent to amend the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Seafood Division Policies as they pertain to Oyster Fisheries to comply with R. S. 56:429 concerning the holding of annual rent and to compile a single document containing previously approved Survey Section rules.

Interested persons may appear at the meeting of the Commission October 3, 1986 at the Community Center on Grand Isle, of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. Interested persons may submit written comments until 4:30 PM, October 2, 1986 at the following address: J. Burton Angelle, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P. O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, LA 70895

Gerald Adkins presented three Notices of Intent pertaining to the rules and regulations for the fisheries permit program.

(The full text of the Notices are made a part of the record)

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby expresses intent to adopt rules and regulations pertaining to permits granted to harvest underutilized species in fresh and saltwater areas as defined in R.S. 56:322(A)(B). These regulations will clarify and replace existing regulations concerning R.S. 56:571.

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby expresses intent to adopt rules and regulations pertaining to permits granted to persons for the purpose of harvesting pompano and black drum as described in R.S. 56:406A(3). These regulations will complement existing regulations and give the Secretary guidelines for issuance of permits described above.

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby expresses intent to designate certain species of fish in the State of Louisiana as freshwater species for the purpose of enforcement as provided in R.S. 56:334.2.

Bennie Fontenot presented a Notice of Intent concerning the prohibition of nets in Anacoco-Vernon Lakes.

(The full text of the Notice of Intent is made a part of the record)

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby expresses intent to prohibit the use of fish nets (gill nets, trammel nets, hoop nets, fish seines) in Anacoco Lake, Lake Vernon and that portion of Anacoco Bayou between the two lakes, Vernon Parish, Louisiana.

Johnnie Tarver presented a Notice of Intent to set the trapping season for 1986-87. A resolution was presented at this time, also.

(The full text of the Notice of Intent is made a part of the record)

The fur industry of Louisiana represents a major resource of economy and income for many of the citizens of our state; and as this resource is a renewable natural one, which as proven under wise management to increase in importance in our state; annual harvest of the surplus animals is in keeping with wise wildlife management techniques based on scientific management.

Federal restrictions imposed by the CITES Scientific authority concerning out-of-state shipment for otter and bobcat furs continue to require placement of a possession tag by trappers or buyers to

insure state origin and use of the zonation concept has been determined to be beneficial in reducing late caught onprime furs and has produced mainly favorable comments generated within the fur industry. Therefore, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby establish the 1986-87 furbearers trapping season for the northern zone as being November 20, 1986 through February 15, 1987 and the southern zone as being December 1, 1986 through February 28, 1987, and sets a bag limit for daytime and nighttime raccoon and opossum hunting outside the trapping season of one raccoon and/or opossum per hunter per day or night.

The regulations governing the buying, tagging and shipment of bobcat and otter pelts adopted for the 1986-87 trapping season may be viewed at the Quail Drive Office off Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, LA. Phone 342-9259. The Department secretary shall be authorized to close or extend the trapping season as biologically justifiable.

Johnnie Tarver also presented information on the 1986 Tag Allotment/Marsh Type. He also stated that they anticipate harvesting between 20 and 21 thousand alligators this year.

Hugh Bateman presented a resolution to ratify dove and migratory species seasons other than waterfowl for 1986-87. Mr. Gray made a motion to accept the ratification, seconded by Mr. Roberts and passed unanimously.

(The full text of the Resolution
is made a part of the record)

WHEREAS, personnel from the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries have attended meetings and public hearings held by Fish and Wildlife Service in Washington, D. C. to discuss rules and regulations pertaining to hunting certain species of migratory game birds other than waterfowl; and

WHEREAS, the Service has forwarded final rules for hunting doves, rails, gallinules, snipe, woodcock, and September teal which are unchanged from those acted on by this Commission on July 11, 1986; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission assembled on this date, August 15, 1986, in Baton Rouge Louisiana, does approve and ratify these season dates, bag limits and shooting hours previously set for these migratory game birds.

Hugh Bateman presented another resolution to ratify the game hunting seasons for 1986-87. Mr. Palmisano made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gray and passed unanimously with the amendment regarding the Morehouse Parish deer season.

(The full text of the Resolution
is made a part of the record)

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission on
May 2, 1986 in Metairie, Louisiana, set the 1986-87 resident
game hunting seasons, bag limits and shooting hours; and

WHEREAS, these proposals for the 1986-87 resident game hunting
seasons are exempt from review by the Legislative Oversight
Committee; and

WHEREAS, the required public notices and administrative procedures
have all been met, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries
Commission on this date, August 15, 1986 approved and
ratified the resident game seasons set by the Louisiana
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular meeting
on May 2, 1986 in Metairie, Louisiana.

On Thursday evening, August 14, 1986, there was a thorough
discussion of proposed still hunting boundaries (Area 5) for More-
house Parish. On Friday, August 15, 1986 without objection from
the Department, the Commission amended previously adopted boundary
discriptions for a small portion of Morehouse Parish as follows:
That area east and south of La. 140 from Bastrop to the junction
of Parish Hwy. 830-4 (Cooper Lake Road), north and west of Parish
Hwy. 830-4 (Cooper Lake Road) south to Bastrop. This area will
remain open for use of dogs for deer hunting under the same dates,
rules and regulations that apply to Area 2. A news release and
map on this subject will be issued by the Department in the Bastrop-
Monroe area prior tot he deer season opening November 8, 1986.

Hugh Bateman also presented a resolution to ratify the
closure of the hunting season for Fountainebleau State Park.
Dr. Hines made a motion, seconded by Mr. Roberts and passed
unanimously.

(The full text of the Resolution
is made a part of the record)

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission took
action on June 6, 1986 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana to prohibit
hunting activity with Fountainebleau State Park; and

WHEREAS, the Notice of Intent on this rule and other provisions
of the Administrative Procedures Act have been met; and

WHEREAS, the only comments received were favorable and in support
of the Commission's action, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission on this date, August 15, 1986, does hereby approve and ratify that the entire area including all private lands within the boundaries of Fountainebleau State Park lying south of U. S. Hwy. 190 is closed to all hunting for resident and migratory game.

Larry Soileau presented a resolution concerning a cooperative agreement for Red Dirt and Catahoula National Wildlife Management Preserves and a Memorandum of Agreement was signed by Bob Joslin of the U. S. Forest Service and J. Burton Angelle, Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. Skipper Dickson, Richard Yancey and Bob Joslin said a few words to emphasize the fact that everyone was in favor of this much need Memorandum of Agreement. Mr. Gray made a motion to accept this resolution, seconded by Mr. Roberts and passed unanimously.

(The full text of the Resolution
is made a part of the record)

WHEREAS, the Red Dirt and Catahoula National Wildlife Management Preserves, located in central Louisiana and consisting of approximately 76,000 acres of the 595,000 acre Kisatchie National Forest, were so designated by Proclamation in 1941 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt; and

WHEREAS, the demand for wildlife and recreation has greatly increased due to population increases, accelerated land clearing for agriculture, intensive pine timber management, and other land use changes; and

WHEREAS, wildlife and recreation needs for the future will be largely dependent upon public lands; and

WHEREAS, the prudent management of these two National Wildlife Management Preserves will contribute greatly to the public hunting and recreation needs of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the U. S. Forest Service have the professional expertise needed to manage these special areas; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission endorses the signing of a cooperative agreement between the Department and the U. S. Forest Service for management of Red Dirt and Catahoula National Wildlife Management Preserves with the enhancement of wildlife habitat and recreation as a primary goal of management in conjunction with the reasonable management of other forest resources.

Hugh Bateman stated that we have not received the final information to set the waterfowl season for 1986-87 but tentative dates were suggested. (attached to these minutes). Robert Helm presented a slide series showing the trip to Canada and Larry Soileau gave a report on the meetings attended.

Skipper discussed the conservation servitude Act 217 which he stated it will either do one of two things; it will be one of those acts that if nobody pays any attention to it, it will go away or it might provide the most significant turnabout to our habitat problem.

Bob Dennie gave us an update on the I & E Division. The Conservationist received three awards, the cookbook is doing extremely well and the Division as well as the whole Department is participating in National Hunting and Fishing Day celebration at Waddill.

Hugh Bateman stated that the U. S. Fish and Wildlife just completed purchasing 15,255 acres which lies adjacent to the Sherburne WMA. There is some more land which can be acquired in this area. This acreage will have the same seasons as the Sherburne WMA.

The December meeting was set for New Orleans on Thursday and Friday, December 4 and 5, 1986.

The meeting was adjourned by Dr. Cappel.

Preliminary Staff Waterfowl Seasons Regulations
1986/87

West Zone

Ducks	Nov. 8 (Sat.) - Nov. 30 (Sun.)	-	23 days
	Dec. 20 (Sat.) - Jan. 10 (Sat.)	-	<u>22 days</u>
			45 days
Geese	Nov. 8 (Sat.) - Nov. 30 (Sun.)	-	23 days
	Dec. 20 (Sat.) - Feb. 4 (Wed.)	-	<u>47 days</u>
			70 days

East Zone

Ducks	Nov. 22 (Sat.) - Dec. 1 (Mon.)	-	10 days
	Dec. 20 (Sat.) - Jan. 18 (Sun.)	-	<u>30 days</u>
			40 days
Geese	Nov. 22 (Sat.) - Jan. 30 (Fri.)	-	70 days

Special Scaup Season

Jan. 19 (Mon.) - 31 (Sat.), 1987 - 13 days

RESOLUTION
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION
QUAIL DRIVE
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA
August 15, 1986

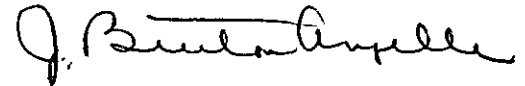
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WHEREAS, the Notice of Intent on this rule and other provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act have been met; and

WHEREAS, all landowners affected by this action have been contacted; and

WHEREAS, the only comments received were favorable and in support of the Commission's action, now

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ROBERT G. GOINS, Mill Manager

August 8, 1986

Mr. J. Burton Angelle, Sr., Secretary
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries
P. O. Box 15570
Baton Rouge, LA 70895

Dear Mr. Angelle:

I am sure you are aware that a large area northeast of Bastrop has been closed to dog hunting for the coming deer season. A significant number of our employees deer hunt in this area. The public woodlands which International Paper Company maintains is utilized for public relations with our employees and residents of our community.

There are some 2,500 acres of IP land in the restricted area, and we encourage our employees to hunt on IP and other public lands. I want to go on record supporting dog hunting in this area.

Yours very truly,

INTERNATIONAL PAPER COMPANY
PULP AND PAPER GROUP

ROBERT G. GOINS, MANAGER
LOUISIANA MILL

RGG/cw

cc: Mr. E. C. Harris
Mr. W. K. Haddox
Mr. L. W. Warner ✓

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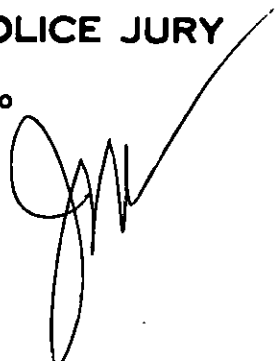
E. A. GREER
SECRETARY

MOREHOUSE PARISH POLICE JURY

P. O. BOX 509

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May 27, 1986



DISTRICT 1
HOSIE GEORGE
RT. 4, Box 629
BASTROP, LA. 71220

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CECIL E. SIMS
RT. 1, Box 207-C
BONITA, LA. 71223

DISTRICT 3
DEODIS POWELL
RT. 1, Box 351
BASTROP, LA. 71220

DISTRICT 4
R. C. "BUDDY" ANDERSON
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BASTROP, LA. 71220

DISTRICT 5
WILLIAM HUGH PARKER
P.O. Box 150
MER ROUGE, LA. 71261

DISTRICT 6
BOBBY NUGENT
RT. 5, Box 106
BASTROP, LA. 71220

DISTRICT 7
GEORGE G. SIMS
213 MAYNE AVE.
BASTROP, LA. 71220

DISTRICT 8
JAMES A. "BUSTER" BROWN
610 PECAN AVE.
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112 GARFIELD AVE.
BASTROP, LA. 71220

DISTRICT 10
LEE LOCHE
412 WEST HICKORY
BASTROP, LA. 71220

DISTRICT 11
FRED MONTGOMERY
P.O. Box 549
BASTROP, LA. 71220

Mr. Cliff Williams
La. Wildlife & Fisheries Commission
Fish Hatchery Road
Monroe, Louisiana 71201

Dear Mr. Williams:

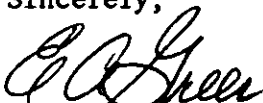
Per our conversation, this day, concerning the proposed "No Dog Season" from La. 139 (Crossett Hwy) East and South from La. 140 (Old Bonita Road), the Morehouse Parish Police Jury strongly opposes this proposition. They feel that more people are against this move than for it although they did not make your public hearings.

Juror's Mr. Hosie George and Mr. Cecil Sims are avid deer hunters and they both have been swamped with complaints against this proposition.

If this can be omitted from this years regulations, the jury will appreciate it very much.

Thanking you for your favorable consideration, I remain

Sincerely,



E. A. Greer
Secretary

RESOLUTION
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION
QUAIL DRIVE
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA
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J. B. Breaux Angelle

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

Pursuant to the emergency provisions of R.S. 49:953B the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission gives notice that at its regularly scheduled meeting in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on August 15, 1986, it adopted the following regulations establishing hunting season dates and bag limits for certain migratory birds:

(1) Doves:

Sept. 6-14	9 days (statewide)
Oct. 18-Nov. 30	44 days (statewide)
Dec. 13 - Dec. 29	17 days (statewide)
TOTAL: 70 days	

(2) Rails:

Sept. 20-28	9 days
Nov. 8 - Jan. 7	61 days
TOTAL: 70 days	

(2) Gallinules:

Sept. 20-28	9 days
Nov. 8 - Jan. 7	61 days
TOTAL: 70 days	

(3) (3) Snipe:

Nov. 8 - Feb. 22	107 days
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(4) Woodcock:

Dec. 6 - Feb. 8	65 days
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(5) Teal:

Sept. 20 - 28	9 days
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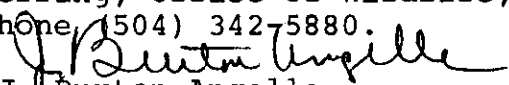
Shooting Hours:

1. Teal, rail, and gallinule seasons occurring in September; sunrise to sunset.
2. Remainder of season for rails and gallinules and entire snipe and woodcock season: 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset.
3. Doves: 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset except Noon to sunset in Sept. 6 & 7, Oct. 18 & 19, and Dec. 13 & 14.

This emergency action is necessary in establishing federal hunting regulations under time constraints required by the U. S. Fish and

Wildlife Service. This does not allow normal public notice procedures as required by the Administrative Procedure Act.

Anyone requesting copies and/or further information concerning these regulations may contact Mr. Joe L. Herring, Office of Wildlife, Box 15570, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70895, phone (504) 342-5880.


J. Burton Angelle
Secretary

Parish	1986 Tag Allotment/Marsh Type		
	Brackish	Intermediate	Fresh
Cameron	1:175	1:100	1:100
Calcasieu		1:125	1:125
Jeff Davis			1:100 1:125
Vermilion	1:125 1:150	1:100	1:250
Iberia	1:250	1:200	1:250
St. Mary	1:325		1:275
Terrebonne	1:300	1:100	1:125 1:150
Lafourche	1:450 1:700	1:125 1:175	1:100 1:125
St. Charles	1:425 1:525	1:125 1:150	1:100
St. John the Baptist		1:125 1:150	1:100
Jefferson	1:400 1:500	1:175 1:200	1:200 1:400
Orleans	1:500 1:700	1:225	1:225
Plaquemines	1:350	1:350	1:250
St. Bernard	1:700	1:200	
St. Tammany	1:125	1:125	1:150 1:125
Tangipahoa			1:175
Swamp	1:250		
Dewatered Marsh	1:700		
Deteriorating Brackish Marsh*	1:700		

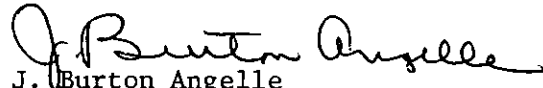
*Marsh areas which are characterized by a generally declining alligator population caused by degradation of alligator habitat.

NOTICE OF INTENT

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby expresses intent to prohibit the use of fish nets (gill nets, trammel nets, hoop nets, fish seines) in Anacoco Lake, Lake Vernon and that portion of Anacoco Bayou between the two lakes, Vernon Parish, Louisiana.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed rule until 4:30 p.m., September 15, 1986 to the following address: J. Burton Angelle, Secretary, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P. O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70895.

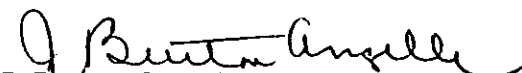

J. Burton Angelle
Secretary

NOTICE OF INTENT

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby expresses intent to designate certain species of fish in the State of Louisiana as freshwater species for the purpose of enforcement as provided in RS 56:334.2.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed rule until 4:30 p.m., September 4, 1986 at the following address: J. Burton Angelle, Secretary, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P. O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70895.


J. Burton Angelle
Secretary

Language contained in H. B. 2009 (Bella) instructed the staff of Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to designate by rule those fish which are considered to be saltwater fish and those fish which are considered to be freshwater fish.

To fulfill directives of H. B. 2009 (Bella), the following list of Families and examples of fish in those Families which occur in fresh and saltwater for all or part of their life cycles was developed. This list is intended for enforcement purposes only, as directed, and in no way implies biological preference, distribution, or requirements of those fish listed.

Family	Acipenseridae	Sturgeon Family	Atlantic Sturgeon
Family	Polyodontidae	Paddlefish Family	Paddlefish
Family	Lepisosteidae	Gar Family	Gars
Family	Amidae	Bowfin Family	Bowfin
Family	Cyprinidae	Minnow Family	Carp, etc.
Family	Catostomidae	Sucker Family	Smallmouth buffalo Bigmouth buffalo Black buffalo, etc.
Family	Ictaluridae	Freshwater Catfish Family	Blue catfish Channel catfish Flathead catfish etc.
Family	Percichthyidae	Temperate Bass Family	White bass Yellow bass Striped bass Hybrid striped bass
Family	Centrarchidae	Sunfish Family	Warmouth Bluegill Largemouth bass White crappie Black crappie, etc.
Family	Sciaenidae	Drum Family	* Freshwater drum

* Only member of family Sciaenidae considered freshwater fish.

The above fish may be taken by recreational fishermen in saltwater areas of Louisiana without possession of a saltwater angling license. Methods of recreational fishing shall include all legal means (hook and line, bow and arrow, SCUBA) as established in Louisiana by statute.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

La. Dept. of Wildlife
Dept.: and Fisheries
Wildlife and Coastal
Office: and Marine Resources
Rule Title: _____

SUMMARY

In accordance with Section 953 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, there is hereby submitted a fiscal and economic impact statement on the rule proposed for adoption, repeal or amendment.

- (A) Provide a brief summary of the content of the rule (if proposed for adoption or repeal) or a brief summary of the change in the rule (if proposed for amendment).

Establishes by rule, for enforcement purposes only, species of fresh water fish which occur in saltwater for a part of their life cycle, or on occasion.

- (B) Summarize the circumstances which require this action.

Requirements and directives stated in Acts 844 and 904, adopted by the 1986 Louisiana Legislature.

The following summary statements, based on the attached worksheets, will be published in the Louisiana Register with the proposed agency rule.

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

None

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

Decrease of revenues because of fewer saltwater angling licenses being purchased.
Decrease will probably be less than \$2000 annually.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

None

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

None

Signature of Agency Head or Designee

Date of Agency Submission

MARK C. DRENNEN
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICER

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

WORKSHEET

III. COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS

- A. What persons or non-governmental groups would be directly affected by the proposed action? For each, provide an estimate and a narrative description of any effects on costs, including workload adjustments and additional paperwork (number of new forms, additional documentation, etc.), they may have to incur as a result of the proposed action.

Not applicable

- B. Also provide an estimate of any revenue impact resulting from this rule or rule change to these groups.

Not applicable

IV. EFFECTS ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT

- A. Identify and provide estimates of the impact of the proposed action on competition and employment in the public and private sectors. Include a summary of any data, assumptions and methods used in making these estimates.

Not applicable

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

WORKSHEET

I. A. COSTS OR SAVINGS TO STATE AGENCIES RESULTING FROM THE ACTION PROPOSED

1. What is the anticipated increase or (decrease) in cost to implement the proposed action? None

COSTS	FY 85-86	FY 86-87	FY 87-88
PERSONAL SERVICES			
OPERATING EXPENSES			
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	0	0	0
OTHER CHARGES			
EQUIPMENT			
TOTAL			
MAJOR REPAIR & CONSTR.			
POSITIONS (#)			

2. Provide a narrative explanation of the costs or savings shown in "A", including the increase or reduction in workload or additional paperwork (number of new forms, additional documentation, etc.) anticipated as a result of the implementation of the proposed action. Describe all data, assumptions, and methods used in calculating these costs.

Not applicable

3. Sources of funding for implementing the proposed rule or rule change.
Not applicable

SOURCE	FY 85-86	FY 86-87	FY 87-88
STATE GENERAL FUND			
AGENCY SELF-GENERATED			
FEDERAL FUNDS			
OTHER (Specify)			
TOTAL			

4. Does your agency currently have sufficient funds to implement the proposed action? If not, how and when do you anticipate obtaining such funds?

yes

B. COST OR SAVINGS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS RESULTING FROM THE ACTION PROPOSED.

1. Provide an estimate of the anticipated impact of the proposed action on local governmental units, including adjustments in workload and paperwork requirements. Describe all data, assumptions and methods used in calculating this impact.

Not applicable

2. Indicate the sources of funding of the local governmental unit which will be affected by these costs or savings.

Will affect the Saltwater Finfish Management Section by loss of revenues. No significant affect.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

WORKSHEET

II. EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

A. What increase or (decrease) in revenues can be anticipated from the proposed action?

REVENUE INCREASE/DECREASE	FY 85-86	FY 86-87	FY 87-88
STATE GENERAL FUND			
AGENCY SELF-GENERATED	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000
RESTRICTED FUNDS*			
FEDERAL FUNDS			
LOCAL FUNDS			
TOTAL			

* Specify the particular fund being impacted

B. Provide a narrative explanation of each increase or decrease in revenues shown in "A". Describe all data, assumptions, and methods used in calculating these increases or decreases.

Loss of revenue is based on assumption that approximately 400 anglers who fish south of the saltwater-freshwater line will not purchase the saltwater angling license for \$5.00 each. This will result in a loss of self generated funds amounting to approximately \$2,000 annually.

NOTICE OF INTENT
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby expresses intent to adopt rules and regulations pertaining to permits granted to persons for the purpose of harvesting pompano and black drum as described in R.S. 56:406A(3). These regulations will complement existing regulations and give the Secretary guidelines for issuance of permits described above.



J. Burton Angelle
Secretary

RULES AND REGULATIONS
SPECIAL POMPANO PERMIT REGULATIONS

1. Permits will not be issued for species which are threatened or endangered or for fisheries or gear types which are specifically prohibited by law.
2. Possession of a permit does not exempt the bearer from laws or regulations except for those which may be specifically exempted by the permit.
3. For permitting purposes, a pompano net shall be defined as a gill net not exceeding 1200' in length and not smaller than 2 1/2" bar or 5" stretched mesh.
4. All permits shall be applied for and/or granted from January 1 to April 30 of each year. All permits expire December 31 following the date of issuance. All permits shall be returned to the Department by January 31 following expiration.
5. Information gained by the Department through the issuance of a permit is not privileged and will be disseminated to the public.
6. All potential permittees shall request an appointment by contacting Seafood Division personnel at 400 Royal Street, New Orleans. Proof of ownership of the proposed permitted vessel(s) shall be provided at the time of appointment.
7. If a permit is approved for issuance, the person requesting a permit shall show proof that all applicable licenses have been applied for before the permit is issued. Proof of bona fide residency, as defined in R. S. 8:(12), is also required at this time.
8. The Department reserves the right to observe the operations taking place under a permit at any time and permittee shall be required to provide food and lodging on the permitted vessel for an observer at the request of the Department.
9. All permittees shall notify the Department prior to leaving port to fish under permitted conditions and immediately upon returning from permitted trip. The Department shall be notified by calling a designated phone number.
10. The bearer of a permit shall report monthly the catch taken as a result of the permit. This report shall contain a suitable measure of total catch, of effort, and of other parameters which may be required by the Department.
11. A report shall be received by the Department no later than 30 days following the last day of each month. If any permittee does not report monthly as required, his permit shall be suspended.
12. The permitted boat used in the program shall have a distinguishing sign so that it may be identified. The sign shall have the word "POMPANO" printed on it in at least 6 inch high letters on a contrasting background so as to be visible from low flying aircraft or from any other vessel in the immediate vicinity.

13. When a permit is issued only the permitted specie(s) can be harvested. All other species shall be returned to unrestricted waters with a minimum of handling. No other fish may be in the possession of the permittee and all fish on board the permitted vessel shall have the head and caudal fin (tail) intact.
14. Holder of a permit shall have the permit in possession at all times when using permitted gear or harvesting permitted specie(s). Permit holder shall be on board permitted vessel when operating under conditions of permit. No permit is transferrable without written permission from the Department Secretary.
15. When permitted gear is on board permitted vessel or in possession of permittee, permittee and vessel are assumed to be operating under conditions of the permit. No gear other than permitted gear may be on board or in possession of permittee under provisions of the permit.
16. If citation(s) are issued to any permittee regarding fishery laws or conditions regulated by the permit, all permittee's permits will be revoked until such time as the permittee appears before Department officials for the purpose of reviewing the citation issued. The Secretary, after reviewing the proceeding, may reissue or suspend the permit. The permittee may lose all rights and privileges to participate in the program, if found guilty by legal or civil process.
17. Permits may not be issued to any applicant found guilty of a fisheries Class II violation or greater, as defined in the Laws Pertaining to Wildlife and Fisheries. Multiple violators will not receive a permit.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT
FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Dept.: LDWF
Coastal and Marine
Office: Resources

Rule Title: _____

SUMMARY

In accordance with Section 953 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, there is hereby submitted a fiscal and economic impact statement on the rule proposed for adoption, repeal or amendment.

- (A) Provide a brief summary of the content of the rule (if proposed for adoption or repeal) or a brief summary of the change in the rule (if proposed for amendment).

Regulations concerning issuance of permits to harvest pompano and a description of a pompano net.

- (B) Summarize the circumstances which require this action.

There is a need to develop regulations for these activities so that existing ambiguity is eliminated. Additionally, to establish procedures for granting, revoking, administering and hearing processes involving permits.

The following summary statements, based on the attached worksheets, will be published in the Louisiana Register with the proposed agency rule.

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

None

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

Less than \$25,000.00 annually. Increased income to State.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

Benefits commercial fishermen by allowing harvest of pompano in saltwater. Also contributes to local state economy by offering sales and employment.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

None to competition; some part-time employment.

Signature of Agency Head or Designee

Date of Agency Submission

MARK C. DRENNEN
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICER

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

WORKSHEET

III. COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS

- A. What persons or non-governmental groups would be directly affected by the proposed action? For each, provide an estimate and a narrative description of any effects on costs, including workload adjustments and additional paperwork (number of new forms, additional documentation, etc.), they may have to incur as a result of the proposed action.

None - addition of regulations and definitions only.

- B. Also provide an estimate of any revenue impact resulting from this rule or rule change to these groups.

None

IV. EFFECTS ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT

- A. Identify and provide estimates of the impact of the proposed action on competition and employment in the public and private sectors. Include a summary of any data, assumptions and methods used in making these estimates.

Some part-time employment in fishing sector.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

WORKSHEET

I. A. COSTS OR SAVINGS TO STATE AGENCIES RESULTING FROM THE ACTION PROPOSED

1. What is the anticipated increase or (decrease) in cost to implement the proposed action? None

COSTS	FY 85-86	FY 86-87	FY 87-88
PERSONAL SERVICES			
OPERATING EXPENSES			
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES			
OTHER CHARGES			
EQUIPMENT			
TOTAL			
MAJOR REPAIR & CONSTR.			
POSITIONS (#)			

2. Provide a narrative explanation of the costs or savings shown in "A", including the increase or reduction in workload or additional paperwork (number of new forms, additional documentation, etc.) anticipated as a result of the implementation of the proposed action. Describe all data, assumptions, and methods used in calculating these costs.

3. Sources of funding for implementing the proposed rule or rule change.

SOURCE	FY 85-86	FY 86-87	FY 87-88
STATE GENERAL FUND			
AGENCY SELF-GENERATED	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
FEDERAL FUNDS			
OTHER (Specify)			
TOTAL	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00

4. Does your agency currently have sufficient funds to implement the proposed action? If not, how and when do you anticipate obtaining such funds?

Yes

B. COST OR SAVINGS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS RESULTING FROM THE ACTION PROPOSED.

1. Provide an estimate of the anticipated impact of the proposed action on local governmental units, including adjustments in workload and paperwork requirements. Describe all data, assumptions and methods used in calculating this impact.

None - will remain same.

2. Indicate the sources of funding of the local governmental unit which will be affected by these costs or savings.

Program self funded by license sales and administrative fees.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

WORKSHEET

II. EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

A. What increase or (decrease) in revenues can be anticipated from the proposed action?
None

REVENUE INCREASE/DECREASE	FY 85-86	FY 86-87	FY 87-88
STATE GENERAL FUND			
AGENCY SELF-GENERATED			
RESTRICTED FUNDS*			
FEDERAL FUNDS			
LOCAL FUNDS			
TOTAL			

* Specify the particular fund being impacted


B. Provide a narrative explanation of each increase or decrease in revenues shown in "A". Describe all data, assumptions, and methods used in calculating these increases or decreases.

NOTICE OF INTENT

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby expresses intent to adopt rules and regulations pertaining to permits granted to harvest underutilized species in fresh and saltwater areas as defined in R.S. 56:322(A)(B). These regulations will clarify and replace existing regulations concerning R.S. 56:571.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed rule until 4:30 p.m., September 4, 1986 at the following address: J. Burton Angelle, Secretary, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P. O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70895.


J. Burton Angelle
Secretary

RULES AND REGULATIONS EXPERIMENTAL FISHERIES PROGRAM

Permits - Under Louisiana law, only gear which is legally sanctioned may be used in a fishery. All other types of gear require permits. These permits may be issued for the development of new fisheries, gear designed to harvest underutilized species and to persons who are interested in the development of experimental gear. The purpose of the permit system is to:

1. Allow the Department to closely supervise all fisheries not sanctioned by statutory law which may conflict with established fisheries or which may use gear prohibited by statutory law.
2. Allow the permittee to develop experimental gear for fisheries development, while providing information of this activity to the Department for scientific purposes.

The following points delineate criteria used in the issuance of permits:

Saltwater Area Underutilized Species Permit Regulations

1. Permits will not be issued for species which are threatened or endangered or for fisheries or gear types which are specifically prohibited by law.
2. Possession of a permit does not exempt the bearer from laws or regulations except for those which may be specifically exempted by the permit.
3. All permits shall be applied for and/or granted from January 1 to July 31 of each year. All permits expire December 31 following the date of issuance. All permits shall be returned to the Department by January 31 following expiration.
4. Each applicant for a permit under this program will be assessed an administrative fee of \$50 at the time of appointment. Each applicant who is a resident of Louisiana will be required to post a performance fee deposit of \$1,000 payable by cashier's check. All non-residents shall post a performance fee deposit of \$4,000, also payable by cashier's check. These deposits are required upon application and are valid until December 31 of each year.
5. Permit requests for experimental gear shall include complete descriptions of the gear and methods used, including drawings or pictures, and the specie(s) to be fished. All potential permittees shall request an appointment by contacting Seafood Division personnel at 400 Royal Street, New Orleans. Proof of ownership of the proposed permitted vessel(s) shall be provided at the time of appointment and the person requesting a permit shall show proof that all applicable licenses have been applied for before a permit is issued. Proof of bona fide residency is also required at this time.

6. Permits will be issued only for such time to allow the Department to properly evaluate the gear or methods being used. The Department may withdraw any permit because it has a deleterious effect, may withdraw any permit in order to conduct its own evaluation of the gear or fishery, may effect management regulations which render any permit inoperative or may extend any permit as a means of regulating the fishery until such time the fishery comes under statutory laws.
7. The Secretary reserves the right to limit the number of permits issued each year. When the number is limited, permits will be granted on a first come, first served basis. A permit does not entitle the bearer the exclusive harvest of the resource.
8. Information gained by the Department through the issuance of a permit is not privileged and will be disseminated to the public.
9. The Department reserves the right to observe the operations taking place under the permit at any time and permittee shall be required to provide food and lodging on the permitted vessel for an observer at the request of the Department.
10. All permittees shall notify the Department prior to leaving port to fish under permitted conditions and immediately upon returning from permitted trip. The Department shall be notified by calling a designated phone number. Commonly accepted passive gear, i.e. eel pots, shall be exempted from this requirement.
11. The bearer of a permit shall report monthly the catch taken as a result of the permit. This report shall contain a suitable measure of total catch, of effort, and of other parameters which may be required by the Department.
12. A report shall be received by the Department no later than 30 days following the last day of each month. If any permittee does not report monthly as required, his permit shall be suspended. If no report is received by January 31 following suspension, the deposit is forfeited.
13. The permitted boat used in the program shall have a distinguishing sign so that it may be identified. The sign shall have the word "EXPERIMENTAL" printed on it in at least 6 inch high letters, on a contrasting background so as to be visible from low flying aircraft or from any other vessel in the immediate vicinity.
14. When a permit is issued for an underutilized specie(s) or for the development of a new fishery, only the permitted specie(s) can be harvested. All other species shall be returned to unrestricted waters with a minimum of handling. No other fish may be in the possession of the permittee and all fish on board the permitted vessel shall have head and caudal fin (tail) intact.

15. Holder of a permit shall have the permit in possession at all times when using permitted gear or harvesting permitted specie(s). Permit holder shall be on board permitted vessel when operating under conditions of permit. No permit is transferrable without written permission from the Department Secretary.
16. When permitted gear is on board permitted vessel or in possession of permittee, permittee and vessel are assumed to be operating under conditions of the permit. No gear other than permitted gear may be on board or in possession of permittee under provisions of the permit.
17. If citation(s) are issued to any permittee regarding fisheries laws or conditions regulated by the permit, all permittee's permits will be suspended until such time as the permittee appears before Department officials for the purpose of reviewing the citation issued. The Secretary, after reviewing the proceedings, may reinstate or revoke the permit. The permittee may lose all rights and privileges to participate in the program. If found guilty by legal or civil process the deposit is also forfeited.
18. Permits may not be issued to any applicant found guilty of a fisheries Class II violation or greater, as defined in the Laws Pertaining to Wildlife and Fisheries. Multiple violators will not receive a permit.

Freshwater Area Underutilized Species Permit Regulations

1. Permits will be issued to use experimental gear for the harvest of underutilized specie(s) and to harvest said underutilized specie(s) in a manner that will not be deleterious to established fisheries or the fish community.
2. Permits will not be issued for species which are threatened or endangered or for fisheries or gear types which are specifically prohibited by law.
3. Possession of a permit does not exempt the bearer from laws or regulations except for those which may be specifically exempted by the permit.
4. The holder of a permit shall have the permit in possession at all times when fishing underutilized species with permitted gear. No permit is transferrable without written permission from the Department Secretary.
5. The holder of a permit shall report monthly the catch taken as a result of the permit and any other information required by the Department.
6. Information gained by the Department through the issuance of a permit is not privileged and will be public information.

7. Permit requests for the development of new gear shall include complete descriptions of the gear and methods used, including drawings or pictures, the specie (s) to be fished and the area to be fished.
8. Requests for permits shall be accompanied by proof that all applicable licenses have been applied for.
9. Permits will be issued for such time as to allow the Department to properly evaluate the gear or methods being used. The Department may: (1) withdraw any permit because it has a deleterious effect; (2) withdraw any permit in order to conduct its own evaluation of the gear or fishery; or (3) impose management regulations which render any permit inoperative.
10. Only those species permitted can be harvested. All other species shall be returned to the water with a minimum of handling. No other fish may be in the possession of the permittee and all fish on board shall have the head and caudal fin (tail) intact.
11. Each applicant for a permit under the program will be assessed an administrative fee of twenty dollars per permit.
12. When permitted gear is on board or in possession of the permittee, the permittee is assumed to be operating under condition of the permit. No gear other than permitted gear may be on board or in possession of the permittee.
13. If citation(s) are issued to any permittee regarding fishery laws or conditions regulated by the permit, all permittee's permits will be suspended until such time as the permittee appears before Department officials for the purpose of reviewing the citation issued. The Secretary, after reviewing the proceeding, may reinstate or revoke the permit. The permittee may lose all rights and privileges to participate in the program if found guilty by legal or civil process.
14. Permits may not be issued to any applicant found guilty of a fisheries Class II violation or greater.
15. The Secretary reserves the right to limit the number of permits issued each year. When the number is limited, permits will be granted on a first come first served basis.
16. Permits will be issued on a calendar year basis and will expire on December 31 of the year issued.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

Dept.: Wildlife & Fisheries

FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Office: Wildlife & Coastal
and Marine Resources

Rule Title: _____

SUMMARY

In accordance with Section 953 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes, there is hereby submitted a fiscal and economic impact statement on the rule proposed for adoption, repeal or amendment.

- (A) Provide a brief summary of the content of the rule (if proposed for adoption or repeal) or a brief summary of the change in the rule (if proposed for amendment).

Regulations concerning issuance of permits to harvest underutilized species in fresh and saltwater areas of the State.

- (B) Summarize the circumstances which require this action.

There is a need to develop regulations for these activities so that existing ambiguity is eliminated. Additionally, to establish procedures for granting, revoking, administering and hearing processes involving permits, and to include freshwater underutilized species as directed by R.S. 56:571.

The following summary statements, based on the attached worksheets, will be published in the Louisiana Register with the proposed agency rule.

I. ESTIMATED IMPLEMENTATION COSTS (SAVINGS) TO STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

None.

II. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS (Summary)

Less than \$25,000.00 annually. Increased income to State.

III. ESTIMATED COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS (Summary)

Benefits commercial fishermen by allowing harvest of underutilized species in saltwater and freshwater. Also contributes to local state economy by offering sales and employment.

IV. ESTIMATED EFFECT ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT (Summary)

None to competition; increase employment in commercial fisheries industry.

Signature of Agency Head or Designee

MARK C. DRENNEN
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICER

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

WORKSHEET

I. A. COSTS OR SAVINGS TO STATE AGENCIES RESULTING FROM THE ACTION PROPOSED

1. What is the anticipated increase or (decrease) in cost to implement the proposed action? Minimal

COSTS	FY 85-86	FY 86-87	FY 87-88
PERSONAL SERVICES			
OPERATING EXPENSES			
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES			
OTHER CHARGES			
EQUIPMENT			
TOTAL	Minimal	Minimal	Minimal
MAJOR REPAIR & CONSTR.			
POSITIONS (#)			

2. Provide a narrative explanation of the costs or savings shown in "A", including the increase or reduction in workload or additional paperwork (number of new forms, additional documentation, etc.) anticipated as a result of the implementation of the proposed action. Describe all data, assumptions, and methods used in calculating these costs.

Cost to administer permit applications will be minimal and administered by present personnel. Cost of administrative paperwork will be funded by permit fee.

3. Sources of funding for implementing the proposed rule or rule change.

SOURCE	FY 85-86	FY 86-87	FY 87-88
STATE GENERAL FUND			
AGENCY SELF-GENERATED	Conservation	Conservation	Conservation
FEDERAL FUNDS			
OTHER (Specify)			
TOTAL	Minimal	Minimal	Minimal

4. Does your agency currently have sufficient funds to implement the proposed action? If not, how and when do you anticipate obtaining such funds?

Yes.

B. COST OR SAVINGS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS RESULTING FROM THE ACTION PROPOSED.

1. Provide an estimate of the anticipated impact of the proposed action on local governmental units, including adjustments in workload and paperwork requirements. Describe all data, assumptions and methods used in calculating this impact.

None.

2. Indicate the sources of funding of the local governmental unit which will be affected by these costs or savings.

Not applicable.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

WORKSHEET

II. EFFECT ON REVENUE COLLECTIONS OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNITS

- A. What increase or (decrease) in revenues can be anticipated from the proposed action? None (permit fee income minimal).

REVENUE INCREASE/DECREASE	FY 85-86	FY 86-87	FY 87-88
STATE GENERAL FUND			
AGENCY SELF-GENERATED			
RESTRICTED FUNDS*			
FEDERAL FUNDS			
LOCAL FUNDS			
TOTAL			

* Specify the particular fund being impacted

- B. Provide a narrative explanation of each increase or decrease in revenues shown in "A". Describe all data, assumptions, and methods used in calculating these increases or decreases.

Not applicable.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

WORKSHEET

II. COSTS AND/OR ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO DIRECTLY AFFECTED PERSONS OR NONGOVERNMENTAL GROUPS

- A. What persons or non-governmental groups would be directly affected by the proposed action? For each, provide an estimate and a narrative description of any effects on costs, including workload adjustments and additional paperwork (number of new forms, additional documentation, etc.), they may have to incur as a result of the proposed action.

None - addition of regulations and definitions only.

- B. Also provide an estimate of any revenue impact resulting from this rule or rule change to these groups.

Estimates are unavailable at this time; however, commercial fishermen taking part in this program will have the opportunity to increase their incomes.

IV. EFFECTS ON COMPETITION AND EMPLOYMENT

- A. Identify and provide estimates of the impact of the proposed action on competition and employment in the public and private sectors. Include a summary of any data, assumptions and methods used in making these estimates.

Increase employment in the commercial fishing sector.

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission advertises its intent to amend the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Seafood Division Policies as they pertain to Oyster Fisheries to comply with R.S. 56:429 concerning the holding of a public auction to dispose of leases that are in default of annual rent and to compile a single document containing previously approved Survey Section rules.

Interested persons may appear at the meeting of the Commission ~~on~~ September ~~5~~³, 1986 in the Baton Rouge Office building of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries on Quail Drive. Interested persons may submit written comments until 4:30 PM, September 4, 1986 at the following address:

J. Burton Angelle
Louisiana Department of Wildlife & Fisheries
P. O. Box 15570
Baton Rouge, LA 70895


J. Burton Angelle

RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION
AT ITS REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING HELD IN BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA ON
FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 1986

WHEREAS, there is a need to have procedures to comply with RS 56:429 concerning the holding of an auction to dispose of leases that are in default of annual rent, and

WHEREAS, there is a need to compile a single document containing the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Seafood Division Policies as they pertain to the Oyster Fisheries - Survey Section,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission that the following regulations be adopted:

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
SEAFOOD DIVISION POLICIES
AS THEY PERTAIN TO OYSTER FISHERIES-SURVEY SECTION

A. Office Policies and Procedures:

1. Office hours will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday excluding state holidays.
- ~~2. The sale of licenses required for fishing oysters shall be available for purchase in the Survey Section Office of the division during the prescribed office hours or by mail.~~
2. No one is to go into the lease document or quadrangle files, or application registration without permission of and accompaniment by designated office personnel.

B. The taking of Oyster Lease Applications:

1. a. There shall be a fifty foot (50 ft.) buffer zone established between new leases. However, by mutual written consent of applicants of adjacent water bottoms the lease boundaries may be common.
- b. Where distances between oyster leases are two hundred feet (200 ft.) or less, no applications or leases shall be taken or issued except that the intervening space may be shared equally by the existing lessees or applicants if properly applied for and leased in accordance with existing policies and practices.
- c. No new applications will be taken or leases issued having widths less than three hundred feet (300 ft.) except as follows:
 - 1) for closing corners not to exceed a distance (length) of five hundred feet (500 ft.).

2) in bayous (or similar configurations; connections or cuts between bays, lakes and ponds, etc.) not less than one hundred feet (100 ft.) or where less than that width it shall be the full width with a subservience clause prohibiting an impedance of reasonable navigation, lessees in these areas shall receive preference where erosion, subsidence, etc., occurs resulting in an enlargement of the water bottoms for leasing adjacent areas for a period of five (5) years.

d. Any applications for an oyster lease may be contoured to follow the shoreline.

2. If an applicant cannot keep his appointment with the surveyor, and fails to notify the Survey Office by noon on the Thursday prior to the date of the scheduled survey, his application shall be cancelled. Applicant will be notified of action taken, and given an opportunity to reinstate application with an additional payment of survey fee within fourteen days of cancellation notice, at which time the applicant shall advise the Survey Section on which day he or a representative will be available for rescheduling within 14 to 30 days. If the applicant fails to keep this second appointment, the application shall be cancelled without the option of reinstatement. If the applicant fails to meet the appointment but notifies the Survey Section of vessel breakdown or inclement weather prior to the appointment time, then he will advise the Survey Section Office on which day he or a representative will be available for rescheduling within 14 to 30 days. If he fails to meet this second appointment, his application will be cancelled. When the Department Surveyor cannot keep his appointment. All effort will be made to notify the oyster farmer/applicant.
3. If any survey by the surveyor of the Department shows an overlap, the Department will abstract the leases involved and eliminate the overlap at its expense by giving the overlapped area to the longest continuously uninterrupted lease, notifying the lessees/applicants of the action. If any survey by a private surveyor shows an overlap, a lease shall not be issued until such time as overlap is corrected at no expense to the Department.
4. All applicants must appear in this office to place applications for survey and lease, or provide power of attorney to agents to act in their behalf.
5. Annual rental notices will be mailed to lessees at least 30 days in advance of due date which is January 1 of each year.
- ~~6. A time frame of 30 days after receipt of a certified letter from the Department will be allowed for reinstating leases which have been cancelled for failure to pay rental.~~
6. A fee of \$10.00 per lease will be charged for transfer of oyster lease.

7. A fee for all extra maps, leases, plats or documents, will be charged as follows:

All maps	-	\$10.00 per copy
Plats	-	\$ 5.00 per copy
Lease Documents	-	\$ 5.00 per copy
Other material	-	\$ 1.00 per copy

8. Survey Application Fees:

- a. Survey application fees for new leases after the moratorium is lifted will be as follows:

<u>Acres</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
10 or less	\$100.00
11 - 20	\$150.00
21 - 200	\$2.50 additional for each acre after 20
201 - 1000	\$1.50 additional for each acre after 200

- b. Survey application fees on leases expiring by 15-year limitation are established as follows:

<u>Acres</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
10 or less	\$70.00
11 - 20	\$105.00
21 - 200	\$1.75 additional for each acre after 20
201 - 1000	\$1.15 additional for each acre after 200

- c. Survey application fees for RESTAKES of one's own lease are established as follows:

\$25.00 PER SHOT POINT

- d. Survey application fees for restakes of someone else's lease are established as follows:

\$90.00 for the first two shot points

\$50.00 for each additional shot point thereafter

- e. The Survey Section shall notify owner(s) of lease to be restaked.

9. If an oyster farmer knowingly has a private surveyor survey over an existing lease or application, that application is cancelled and will constitute cause for the private surveyor to be barred from surveying oyster leases for a one (1) year period.

C. Private Surveyors Surveying Oyster Leases for Oyster Farmer:

1. All Surveyors must appear in person in the office of the Survey Section of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to research information pertinent to their surveys.
2. Surveyor to be charged the basic rate for copies of documents needed. ~~excluding those furnished by this agency.~~
3. All controls and corners of oyster surveys to be tied into the Louisiana State Plane Coordinates System.
4. All surveys must comply with RS 56:427, B which requires the lease not to exceed the initial application by more than 10% compliance by negotiation with the applicant. If unacceptable, application will be cancelled and all fees forfeited.
5. Surveyors to execute properly surveyor's certificate appearing on reverse side of original application on file in the Oyster Lease Survey Section, or a photocopy of the original.
6. Surveyors must furnish the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Survey Section with the original field notes on standard 4-1/2 x 7-1/2 looseleaf sheets.
7. Surveyors to note in the original field notes any activity in or adjacent to or on surveyed area, or any existing structures, etc.
8. Survey plats to be drawn on forms furnished by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Oyster Lease Section and original tracing to become the property of same.
9. The acreage of all surveys, even though calculated to tenth or hundredth of acre, to be rounded off to the next highest acre.
10. Application number and ownership on all survey plats to be shown on original application.
11. No land area to be included in survey. Probing to be done at random throughout the surveyed area to determine type of bottom and results noted on original field notes, along with tidal information.

12. Use standard signs and symbols.
 13. The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Survey Section will provide all information needed to perform the Survey.
 14. Noncompliance with the above twelve (12) items (C, 1-12) after 30 day notification from the Department by certified mail, shall result in cancellation of the application and forfeiture of all fees to the Department.
- D. 1. Complaints in the field are to be handled in the following manner.
- a. The oyster farmer should allow the survey to be completed in all situations. The surveyor has his instructions.
 - b. If the oyster farmer is dissatisfied with the survey after completed, he may register his complaint with the survey office within 14 days of date of survey.
 - c. Survey crew is to note that the oyster farmer will complete the survey under protest at time survey is being performed.
 - d. If the oyster farmer prevents survey from being completed in the field, his application will be cancelled. The oyster farmer has 14 days from postdate on letter notifying him of said cancellation to come into the office and pay survey fee and have application reinstated.
2. In an effort to comply with RS 56:425 D, which allows the Department to settle disputes and RS 56:427 C requiring compact leases, and policy B-1, the Department has the authority to grant applications to settle boundary disputes particularly as it is associated with shoreline erosion.
- E. Oyster Lease Posting Requirements
1. In an effort to comply with RS 56:430, Pr. B, and to keep within the constraints of Title 14, Section 63, dealing with criminal trespassing, the following are the posting oyster lease requirements:
 - a. The oyster lessee or person seeking to post the oyster lease shall place and maintain signs along the boundaries of the property or area to be posted. These signs shall be written in the English language.
 - b. The signs shall have letters at least three inches in height and shall be of sufficient size and clarity to give notice to the public of the location and boundary of the oyster lease. The signs shall be placed and maintained at intervals of not more than one-fifth of a mile and shall be at least three to twelve feet above the water level.

- c. At the main entrance to the property and at no less than at all corners along the boundary of said property, the party seeking to post same shall include his name or initials in addition to the lease number.
 - d. In marsh areas and canals, posted signs shall also be placed at all major points of ingress and egress.
 - e. In open water all signs are to be placed facing outward.
- F. 1. Applications will remain in effect for a period of three years. At the end of three years any applications not surveyed by this department or a private surveyor will be cancelled.
2. Upon death of an applicant the estate will have 180 days to appoint a representative to deal with the survey of applications. If the department has not been notified within 180 days the application will be cancelled and survey fees will be retained.
- G. ~~1. A total of 350 applications for new area will be accepted in 1985.~~
1. Upon lifting of the moratorium a date will be set for the taking of appointments to make applications.
2. Each appointment will be for a 30 minute period and will allow the applicant to make one (1) application.
3. If all applicants have received appointments and there are still openings, an applicant can go to the end of the line and make another appointment for one (1) application. An applicant may continue to go to the end of the line and make appointments as long as applications are available.
4. In subsequent years the number of applications not surveyed by August 1 will be determined. This number will be subtracted from a base of 500 to determine the number of applicants to be accepted. On October 1 appointments will be taken and the rules in paragraphs G-3 and G-4 will apply.
- H. Policy to comply with laws concerning default in payment of rent on oyster leases. (Non-compliance RS56:429)
1. On the first working day in February of each year, the Survey Section will compile a list of leases that are in default (RS56:429). After compiling the list each owner will be notified by certified mail that his lease is in default and will be offered at public auction on the last Tuesday in March. He will also be notified that all works, improvements, betterments, and oysters on the leased area are the property of the State and that the Enforcement Division of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has been so notified.

2. On the first working day following the last day of February all leases still in default will be advertised in a newspaper in the parish in which the lease is located. After the placement of the advertisement, advertisement cost will be added to the lease rent plus 10%. Up to and including the last Monday in March the leases may be reinstated by payment of the rent due plus 10% and the advertising cost if applicable.
3. On the last Tuesday in March the auction will be held at a place to be designated by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. The auctioneer will be the chief of the Seafood Division or whoever he wishes to designate. The opening bid for each lease will be the rent due plus 10% and advertising cost. All sales must be paid for in cash or by certified check.

The auction will start with the lowest numbered lease and continue numerically until completed.

4. Any leases not sold at auction will be removed from the Survey Section maps. The area will be open and may be taken by application at the yearly opening.

I. Procedures to comply with R.S. 56:432 and Council Memo dated Dec.2,1983

1. The Survey Section will keep an indexing system to determine the acreage held by all oyster lease holders.
2. No application will be accepted that will cause an applicant to exceed a total of 1000 acres under lease and application.
Ref. R.S.56:432.
3. No lease will be issued to an oyster lease holder that will cause his account to exceed 1000 acres under lease unless he qualifies for additional acres by the ownership of oyster canning plants.
4. An oyster lease applicant will be given 30 days to reduce lease acreage prior to cancellation of any application that would cause his lease acreage to exceed 1000 acres. If the reduction is not made within 30 days the application will be cancelled and all fees retained by the Department.

J. Burton Angelle
Secretary

NOTICE OF INTENT

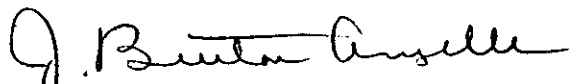
Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The fur industry of Louisiana represents a major resource of economy and income for many of the citizens of our state; and as this resource is a renewable natural one, which has proven under wise management to increase in importance in our state; annual harvest of the surplus animals is in keeping with wise wildlife management techniques based on scientific management.

Federal restrictions imposed by the CITES Scientific authority concerning out-of-state shipment for otter and bobcat furs continue to require placement of a possession tag by trappers or buyers to insure state origin and use of the zonation concept has been determined to be beneficial in reducing late caught unprime furs and has produced mainly favorable comments generated within the fur industry. Therefore, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby establish the 1986-87 furbearers trapping season for the northern zone as being November 20, 1986 through February 15, 1987 and the southern zone as being December 1, 1986 through February 28, 1987, and sets a bag limit for daytime and nighttime raccoon and opossum hunting outside the trapping season of one raccoon and/or opossum per hunter per day or night.

The regulations governing the buying, tagging and shipment of bobcat and otter pelts adopted for the 1986-87 trapping season may be viewed at the Quail Drive Office off Perkins Road, Baton Rouge, LA. Phone 342-9259. The Department secretary shall be authorized to close or extend the trapping season as biologically justifiable.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed rule to Johnnie Tarver, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Box 15570, Baton Rouge, LA 70895.


J. Burton Angelle
Secretary

RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION
AT THE REGULAR MEETING HELD IN BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA ON FRIDAY,
AUGUST 15, 1986.

WHEREAS, The fur industry of Louisiana represents a major resource of economy and income for many of the citizens of our state; and

WHEREAS, This resource is a renewable natural one, which has proven under wise management to increase in importance in our state; and

WHEREAS, An annual harvest of the surplus animals is in keeping with wise wildlife management techniques based on scientific management; and

WHEREAS, Federal restrictions imposed by the CITES Scientific Authority concerning out-of-state shipment for otter and bobcat furs will again require placement of a possession tag by trappers or buyers to insure state origin; and

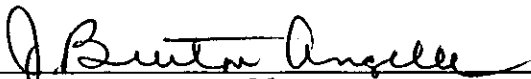
WHEREAS, The zonation concept has continued to be beneficial in reducing late caught unprime furs and has produced mainly favorable comments generated within the fur industry; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby establish the 1986-87 furbearers trapping season for the northern zone as being November 20, 1986, through February 15, 1987 and the southern zone as being December 1, 1986 through February 28, 1987, and sets a bag limit for daytime and nighttime raccoon and opossum hunting outside the trapping season of one raccoon and/or opossum per hunter per day or night; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the attached regulations governing the buying, tagging and shipment of bobcat and otter pelts are adopted for the 1986-87 trapping season.

NOW, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department Secretary shall be authorized to close or extend the trapping season as biologically justifiable.

This is the certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of the excerpt of the minutes of the meeting of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on Friday, August 15, 1986.


J. Burton Angelle, Secretary



J. BURTON ANGELLE, SR.
SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
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COASTAL & MARINE RESOURCES

SURVEY SECTION 03 - 43 ACTIVITY REPORT

JUNE 30, 1986 THRU AUGUST 1, 1986

During this period field activity consisted of:

- 165 - Surveys that were scheduled.
- 40 - Surveys that were unable to be done due to bad weather or fishermen unable to meet surveyor.

Surveys that were completed consisted of:

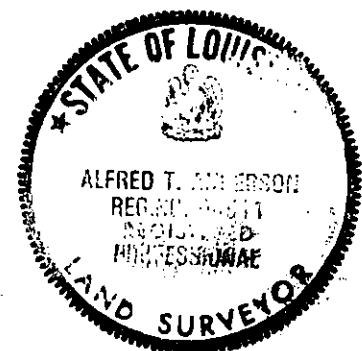
- 30 - Leases that were tied into the monument control system.
- 17 - Applications for new area.
- 49 - Restake applications.
- 26 - 15 year limitations.

Total field activity:

<u>1984</u>	<u>1985</u>	<u>1986</u>	
727	907	994	- Surveys scheduled
425	506	748	- Surveys performed
266	367	231	- Surveys unable to be done due to bad weather or fishermen unable to meet surveyor
0	1	2	- Survey where fishermen refused to survey
3	0	0	- Disputes settled
33	33	11	- No shows
0	0	2	- Applications cancelled by request

Office activity during this period:

\$2,106.30	- Lease rental collected
\$5,573.50	- Survey fees collected
43	- Applications filed
36	- New leases issued



1986-87

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*Adopted
8/14/86*

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

RESOLUTION CONCERNING COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

RED DIRT AND CATAHOULA NATIONAL WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PRESERVES

WHEREAS, the Red Dirt and Catahoula National Wildlife Management Preserves, located in central Louisiana and consisting of approximately 76,000 acres of the 595,000 acre Kisatchie National Forest, were so designated by Proclamation in 1941 by President Franklin D. Roosevelt; and

WHEREAS, the demand for wildlife and recreation has greatly increased due to population increases, accelerated land clearing for agriculture, intensive pine timber management, and other land use changes; and

WHEREAS, wildlife and recreation needs for the future will be largely dependent upon public lands; and

WHEREAS, the prudent management of these two National Wildlife Management Preserves will contribute greatly to the public hunting and recreation needs of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the U. S. Forest Service have the professional expertise needed to manage these special areas;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission endorses the signing of a cooperative agreement between the Department and the U. S. Forest Service for management of Red Dirt and Catahoula National Wildlife Management Preserves with the enhancement of wildlife habitat and recreation as a primary goal of management in conjunction with the reasonable management of other forest resources.

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COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
NATIONAL RED DIRT AND CATAHOULA
WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PRESERVES
TO
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
KISATCHIE NATIONAL FOREST
FOREST SERVICE-USDA
AND
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

This Agreement supplements the broad Memorandum of Understanding dated March 21, 1985 between the same parties, as provided by Clause (C-13) of the Memorandum of Understanding under "mutually agreed":

This Agreement provides for the cooperative management of the National Catahoula and Red Dirt Wildlife Management Preserves, excluding Kisatchie Hills Wilderness Area, as of the date of this agreement, here in after referred to as the Preserves, and prescribes management criteria for same. The Preserves will be managed under the broad provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding and the following specific criteria.

1. Management emphasis will be on wildlife and dispersed recreation in the National Wildlife Management Preserves. Other management activities that occur in the Preserves will be consistent with wildlife and dispersed recreation management emphasis.
2. The management of these Preserves will not exclude other public uses such as general recreation, nature study and authorized vehicle travel. In addition, the Forest Service may regulate these uses on the Preserves for public safety and for protection of any resource.
3. The Department will set seasons, bag limits and methods of taking game following consultation with the Forest Service. Quotas may be established and assignment of areas in which to hunt may be directed as a means of conserving the resource or conducting studies. The Forest Service shall be responsible for conducting and overseeing the hunting program. Enforcement of regulations will be the joint responsibility of both agencies.
4. Standard entrance and boundary signs will be erected and maintained by the Forest Service at locations jointly selected by both parties. These signs shall indicate cooperative management of the areas.
5. Federal and State laws and regulations regarding firearms shall be enforced.
6. Dogs will be controlled under the provisions of the applicable Federal and State laws and regulations.
7. Maps and publications concerning fish and wildlife resources on the Preserves that are prepared for public distribution will be mutually agreed upon.
8. The respective District Rangers and the Department District Supervisor (Biologist) will jointly prepare annual work plans that are to be implemented on the Preserves.

9. In the event a type of program develops in the Preserves that is to be financed wholly or partially by deposits in a cooperative work fund, a separate agreement will be entered into by the parties hereto.
10. If problems arise in the management of any fish, game, or non-game species or any of the recreational activities affecting the Preserves, they will be solved cooperatively.
11. Specific regulations applicable to the Preserves will be mutually agreed upon and published in the annual "Louisiana Hunting, Fishing and Motorboat Regulations".
12. The Preserves will be managed cooperatively in accordance with mutually agreed "Standards and Guidelines". (Attachment #1)
13. A detailed development and implementation plan will be cooperatively formulated and titled "Monitoring Plan". The Monitoring Plan should include annual wildlife population appraisals, wildlife harvest measurements and the monitoring of the status and condition of wildlife habitat on the area. This plan, along with associated development, is authorized under the Sikes Act (88 Stat 1369 as amended; 16 U.S.C. 670g, 670h, 670o).

Secretary, LDWF

Forest Supervisor, KNF

Date

Date

AMENDMENT TO PRESCRIPTION FOR MANAGEMENT AREA #24
WILDLIFE EMPHASIS AS PER COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH LOUISIANA DEPT OF WILDLIFE & FISHERIES

National Wildlife Management Preserves: Management Area #24 consists of National Red Dirt and Catahoula Wildlife Management Preserves. The two areas total 74,450 acres. Management Area #24 includes portions of seven other management areas previously delineated (See management area map). These management areas are: #1 Non-Productive, #4 Kisatchie Hills Wilderness, #5 Physically Not Suited, #6 Developed Recreation Areas, #12 General Forest/No Grazing, #13 Kisatchie Soils, #19 Red-Cockaded Woodpecker and #20 Aquatic and Riparian Areas. Management emphasis is on wildlife and dispersed recreation. The following General Direction and Standards and Guidelines supersede as applicable those portions of the above Management Areas that are in the Preserves.

MANAGEMENT PRACTICES/
ACTIVITIES

GENERAL
DIRECTION

STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES

RANGE

Resource Management
Planning Inventory: Administration and Mgt.
(D01, D02, D07)

No grazing will be permitted on the Preserves.

Term or Temporary Grazing Permits will not be issued for any areas in the Preserves.

TIMBER

Resource Planning and Inventory: Silvicultural Examination and Prescription (EO, EO3)

Provide compartment wide diversity to supply suitable habitat for Management Indicator Species.

Carry out moderate intensity timber mgt. practices for mgt. of yellow pine and long-leaf pine.

Emphasis will be on wildlife. Carry out moderate intensity practices on Upland Hardwood and modified practices on mixed pine-hardwood and bottomland hardwood types.

Not more than 1/3 of each compartment will be in the 0-20 year old age class. In recognition of relative differences in hardwood site potential between Red Dirt and Catahoula, the following goals are set as hardwood objectives: 50% for Catahoula and 40% for Red Dirt, excluding Kisatchie Hills Wilderness Area. These percentages shall be based on basal area measurements by management type using standard compartment prescription procedures. The LA. Dept of Wildlife & Fisheries shall monitor this program during prescription reviews. The US Forest Service & Dept. will jointly monitor these percentages on a mutually agreed timeframe (not less than once each 5 years). The purpose of this monitoring is for evaluation of progress in working toward the 50/40 objective. Hardwood acreage of hard mast key areas and riparian zones will be included as a part of the total hardwood component. This objective shall be attained within the earliest reasonable time frame consistent with available manpower and funding. Hardwood planting or other management measures shall be undertaken where necessary to achieve the above objectives.

MANAGEMENT PRACTICES/
ACTIVITIES

GENERAL
DIRECTION

STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES

Regeneration Har-
vest (E01)

Emphasize Wildlife
Habitat and dispersed
recreation.

Yellow Pine

A minimum of 20% of the habitat shall be mast-producing hardwoods dispersed within each home range of the featured species for wildlife habitat enhancement.

Harvest Method: Natural regeneration will be used whenever needed to meet soil or other resource needs. When natural regeneration is not called for, then clearcut will be used.

Rotation: 60 years
Maximum stand size of regeneration: 40 acres.

Longleaf Pine

A minimum of 20% of the habitat shall be mast-producing hardwoods dispersed within each home range of the featured species for wildlife habitat enhancement.

Harvest Method: Two step shelterwood if adequate seed source is available. Clearcut and plant if adequate seed source is not present.

Rotation: 80 years
Maximum stand size of regeneration: 40 acres.

Mixed Pine-Hardwood

Harvest Method: Shelterwood where appropriate.
Rotation: 80 years
Maximum stand size of regeneration: 20 acres
Management Prescriptions:

-Sites selected must be capable of growing desirable species to mast producing size in 50 yrs.

-General direction contained in the R8 Regional Policy on mixed types will be followed. Dept of Wildlife & Fisheries and Forest Service will jointly select sites that qualify.

STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES

Upland Hardwood

Harvest Method: Shelterwood will be used to increase advanced oak reproduction when needed. Where advanced oak reproduction is adequate, clearcut will be used as harvest method.

Rotation: 100 years.

Maximum stand size of regeneration: 20 acres

Bottomland Hardwood

Harvest Method: Salvage and sanitation, single tree and group selection.

Rotation: No rotation age.

Management strategy will be to maximize acreage of bottomland hardwood timber type. This strategy will be developed on a site specific basis jointly between the Department and the Forest Service during Compartment Prescription review process.

MANAGEMENT PRACTICES/
ACTIVITIES

GENERAL
DIRECTION

STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES

FACILITIES

Transportation,
Planning and
Inventory (L01)

Maintain condition
inventory of existing
roads in the Preserves.

Collector and
local road
construction/
reconstruction
(L06-L18, L29).

Road construction
and standards will be
the absolute minimum
to accommodate resource
needs.

Traffic manage-
ment; road
maintenance manage-
ment, road main-
tenance (L-19 744-750)

Close local and
collector roads that
are not now essential.

Road closures will be jointly decided by the LA
Dept of Wildlife & Fisheries and the Forest
Service.

RECREATION

Undeveloped use
Administration (A08)

Restrict camping for
public safety and to
insure better hunter
distribution in areas
of high quality habi-
tat.

Camping will be permitted only in designated
areas from Oct 1 through Apr 30. These areas
will be mutually agreed to and will be delineated
on the applicable maps for public distribution.


Camping will not be restricted within the
Kisatchie Hills Wilderness Area.

NOTICE OF INTENT

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby expresses intent to adopt rules and regulations pertaining to permits granted to harvest underutilized species in fresh and saltwater areas as defined in R.S. 56:322(A)(B). These regulations will clarify and replace existing regulations concerning R.S. 56:571.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed rule until 4:30 p.m., September 4, 1986 at the following address: J. Burton Angelle, Secretary, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, P. O. Box 15570, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70895.



J. Burton Angelle
Secretary

RULES AND REGULATIONS EXPERIMENTAL FISHERIES PROGRAM

Permits - Under Louisiana law, only gear which is legally sanctioned may be used in a fishery. All other types of gear require permits. These permits may be issued for the development of new fisheries, gear designed to harvest underutilized species and to persons who are interested in the development of experimental gear. The purpose of the permit system is to:

1. Allow the Department to closely supervise all fisheries not sanctioned by statutory law which may conflict with established fisheries or which may use gear prohibited by statutory law.
2. Allow the permittee to develop experimental gear for fisheries development, while providing information of this activity to the Department for scientific purposes.

The following points delineate criteria used in the issuance of permits:

Saltwater Area Underutilized Species Permit Regulations

1. Permits will not be issued for species which are threatened or endangered or for fisheries or gear types which are specifically prohibited by law.
2. Possession of a permit does not exempt the bearer from laws or regulations except for those which may be specifically exempted by the permit.
3. All permits shall be applied for and/or granted from January 1 to July 31 of each year. All permits expire December 31 following the date of issuance. All permits shall be returned to the Department by January 31 following expiration.
4. Each applicant for a permit under this program will be assessed an administrative fee of \$50 at the time of appointment. Each applicant who is a resident of Louisiana will be required to post a performance fee deposit of \$1,000 payable by cashier's check. All non-residents shall post a performance fee deposit of \$4,000, also payable by cashier's check. These deposits are required upon application and are valid until December 31 of each year.
5. Permit requests for experimental gear shall include complete descriptions of the gear and methods used, including drawings or pictures, and the specie(s) to be fished. All potential permittees shall request an appointment by contacting Seafood Division personnel at 400 Royal Street, New Orleans. Proof of ownership of the proposed permitted vessel(s) shall be provided at the time of appointment and the person requesting a permit shall show proof that all applicable licenses have been applied for before a permit is issued. Proof of bona fide residency is also required at this time.

6. Permits will be issued only for such time to allow the Department to properly evaluate the gear or methods being used. The Department may withdraw any permit because it has a deleterious effect, may withdraw any permit in order to conduct its own evaluation of the gear or fishery, may effect management regulations which render any permit inoperative or may extend any permit as a means of regulating the fishery until such time the fishery comes under statutory laws.
7. The Secretary reserves the right to limit the number of permits issued each year. When the number is limited, permits will be granted on a first come, first served basis. A permit does not entitle the bearer the exclusive harvest of the resource.
8. Information gained by the Department through the issuance of a permit is not privileged and will be disseminated to the public.
9. The Department reserves the right to observe the operations taking place under the permit at any time and permittee shall be required to provide food and lodging on the permitted vessel for an observer at the request of the Department.
10. All permittees shall notify the Department prior to leaving port to fish under permitted conditions and immediately upon returning from permitted trip. The Department shall be notified by calling a designated phone number. Commonly accepted passive gear, i.e. eel pots, shall be exempted from this requirement.
11. The bearer of a permit shall report monthly the catch taken as a result of the permit. This report shall contain a suitable measure of total catch, of effort, and of other parameters which may be required by the Department.
12. A report shall be received by the Department no later than 30 days following the last day of each month. If any permittee does not report monthly as required, his permit shall be suspended. If no report is received by January 31 following suspension, the deposit is forfeited.
13. The permitted boat used in the program shall have a distinguishing sign so that it may be identified. The sign shall have the word "EXPERIMENTAL" printed on it in at least 6 inch high letters, on a contrasting background so as to be visible from low flying aircraft or from any other vessel in the immediate vicinity.
14. When a permit is issued for an underutilized specie(s) or for the development of a new fishery, only the permitted specie(s) can be harvested. All other species shall be returned to unrestricted waters with a minimum of handling. No other fish may be in the possession of the permittee and all fish on board the permitted vessel shall have head and caudal fin (tail) intact.

15. Holder of a permit shall have the permit in possession at all times when using permitted gear or harvesting permitted specie(s). Permit holder shall be on board permitted vessel when operating under conditions of permit. No permit is transferrable without written permission from the Department Secretary.
16. When permitted gear is on board permitted vessel or in possession of permittee, permittee and vessel are assumed to be operating under conditions of the permit. No gear other than permitted gear may be on board or in possession of permittee under provisions of the permit.
17. If citation(s) are issued to any permittee regarding fisheries laws or conditions regulated by the permit, all permittee's permits will be suspended until such time as the permittee appears before Department officials for the purpose of reviewing the citation issued. The Secretary, after reviewing the proceedings, may reinstate or revoke the permit. The permittee may lose all rights and privileges to participate in the program. If found guilty by legal or civil process the deposit is also forfeited.
18. Permits may not be issued to any applicant found guilty of a fisheries Class II violation or greater, as defined in the Laws Pertaining to Wildlife and Fisheries. Multiple violators will not receive a permit.

Freshwater Area Underutilized Species Permit Regulations

1. Permits will be issued to use experimental gear for the harvest of underutilized specie(s) and to harvest said underutilized specie(s) in a manner that will not be deleterious to established fisheries or the fish community.
2. Permits will not be issued for species which are threatened or endangered or for fisheries or gear types which are specifically prohibited by law.
3. Possession of a permit does not exempt the bearer from laws or regulations except for those which may be specifically exempted by the permit.
4. The holder of a permit shall have the permit in possession at all times when fishing underutilized species with permitted gear. No permit is transferrable without written permission from the Department Secretary.
5. The holder of a permit shall report monthly the catch taken as a result of the permit and any other information required by the Department.
6. Information gained by the Department through the issuance of a permit is not privileged and will be public information.

7. Permit requests for the development of new gear shall include complete descriptions of the gear and methods used, including drawings or pictures, the specie (s) to be fished and the area to be fished.
8. Requests for permits shall be accompanied by proof that all applicable licenses have been applied for.
9. Permits will be issued for such time as to allow the Department to properly evaluate the gear or methods being used. The Department may: (1) withdraw any permit because it has a deleterious effect; (2) withdraw any permit in order to conduct its own evaluation of the gear or fishery; or (3) impose management regulations which render any permit inoperative.
10. Only those species permitted can be harvested. All other species shall be returned to the water with a minimum of handling. No other fish may be in the possession of the permittee and all fish on board shall have the head and caudal fin (tail) intact.
11. Each applicant for a permit under the program will be assessed an administrative fee of twenty dollars per permit.
12. When permitted gear is on board or in possession of the permittee, the permittee is assumed to be operating under condition of the permit. No gear other than permitted gear may be on board or in possession of the permittee.
13. If citation(s) are issued to any permittee regarding fishery laws or conditions regulated by the permit, all permittee's permits will be suspended until such time as the permittee appears before Department officials for the purpose of reviewing the citation issued. The Secretary, after reviewing the proceeding, may reinstate or revoke the permit. The permittee may lose all rights and privileges to participate in the program if found guilty by legal or civil process.
14. Permits may not be issued to any applicant found guilty of a fisheries Class II violation or greater.
15. The Secretary reserves the right to limit the number of permits issued each year. When the number is limited, permits will be granted on a first come first served basis.
16. Permits will be issued on a calendar year basis and will expire on December 31 of the year issued.

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Today's date 5/1/86

File # _____

Definite ☒ Cancellation ☐Tentative ☐ Change Form ☐

For Office Use Only:

Code _____

PS# _____

Date _____

By _____

SBS
5/02/86

FUNCTION/RESERVATION CONTRACTAccount Name Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries

Post As _____

Contact Paula Callais Title _____Address P.O. Box 15570 City Baton RougeState LA Zip 70895 Telephone (____) 342-5875

Master Account Authorities _____ P.I.C. _____

Guest Rooms ☒ Required ☐ Not Required

DAY	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
DATE					8/7	8/8	
SGL					7	0	
DBL							
LKPL							
SUITE							
TOTAL					7	0	

TOTAL ROOM NIGHTS 7Reservations Must Be Made By 7/28/86Return Card ☐ Individual ☐Room List ☒ Other ☐All Rooms are: ☒ 6:00 p.m. 4pm☒ GTD By CompanyRates: Single \$ 35 Double \$ 43

Triple \$ _____ Quad \$ _____ Parlor \$ _____

Suites: 1 Bedroom \$ _____ 2 Bedroom \$ _____

Townhouse \$ _____

Complimentary Agreement: _____

Contract must be signed and returned to the hotel by the Option
Date: 5/16 indicated or all commitments are
released.

☒ Net ☐ Commissionable _____ %**SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES**

Day/Date	Time	Functions	Attendance	Location	Rate
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No meeting space required

48 Hour Guarantee Required and Binding on all Meal Functions

48 Hour Cancellation Notice Required to Negate Meeting Charges.

SWITCHBOARD: ____ DO NOT RING ROOM ____ PLUG IN PHONE NEEDED ____ ADLINE REQUESTED ____ OUTSIDE PHONE LINE TO BE INSTALLED	MEETING STYLE: ____ THEATRE STYLE ____ U-SHAPED (Outside Seating) ____ U-SHAPED (Inside/Outside) ____ HOLLOW SQUARE ____ CONFERENCE STYLE ____ SCHOOLROOM STYLE ____ REGISTRATION TABLE ____ HEAD TABLE _____ LEVEL ____ # OF PEOPLE _____ RAISED ____ OTHER _____	FOOD & BEVERAGE: ____ ROUNDS OF 8 ____ ROUNDS OF 10 ____ U-SHAPE ____ LONGS OF _____ ____ RECEPTION STYLE ____ RAISED _____ LEVEL ____ OTHER _____	AV RENTALS ____ 35MM SLIDE \$ _____ ____ 16MM FILM \$ _____ ____ VCR <input type="checkbox"/> VHS \$ _____ ____ <input type="checkbox"/> BETA \$ _____ ____ SCREEN \$ _____ ____ MONITOR \$ _____ ____ SAFLOK STAND \$ _____ ____ OTHER _____ \$ _____
AMPLIFICATION: ____ STANDING MICROPHONE ____ TABLE MICROPHONE ____ PODIUM MICROPHONE ____ LAVALIER MICROPHONE ____ ROVING MICROPHONE ____ OTHER _____	BILLING & CREDIT: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PAYMENT AT CHECK OUT <input type="checkbox"/> REQUESTS DIRECT BILLING <input type="checkbox"/> PLEASE COMPLETE ATTACHED CREDIT FORM <input type="checkbox"/> HAS ESTABLISHED CREDIT <input type="checkbox"/> LETTER OF CREDIT TO FOLLOW <input type="checkbox"/> ADVANCE DEPOSIT REQUIRED \$ _____ BILLING ADDRESS: ATTN: _____ COMPANY: _____ ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____	HOTEL MASTER ACCOUNT: <input type="checkbox"/> ALL CHARGES <input type="checkbox"/> MEETING ROOM AND BANQUET SERVICE ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> MEETING CHARGES, GUEST ROOM AND TAX ONLY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDIVIDUAL PAY OWN ROOMS AND INCIDENTALS <input type="checkbox"/> INDIVIDUAL PAYS INCIDENTALS ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS	
ITEMS REQUIRED: ____ STANDING PODIUM ____ TABLE PODIUM ____ FLIPCHART ____ A-FRAME EASEL ____ BLACKBOARD ____ RISERS ____ OTHER _____			

I hereby approve the arrangements as shown.

Signature _____

Title _____

Date _____

Salesperson JT

- 1.) Designation of fresh and Saltwater species of fish in the State of Louisiana as provided in RS 56:334.2 (Act 844).
- 2.) Underutilized Species Permit Regulations as provided in RS 56:571.C.
- 3.) Special Pompano Permit Regulations as provided in RS 56:406. A(3).